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## CELEBRATE ARBOR DAY AT RED BUTTE GARDEN

Statewide Winners of Arbor Day Poster Contest to Receive Prizes

Utah's annual Arbor Day Ceremony will be held Friday, April 28, 2006, at 10:00 a.m. at Red Butte Garden, 300 Wakara Way, Salt Lake City, Utah. It's a day set aside to remember the importance of trees in our lives. The state Arbor Day tree will be planted and statewide winners of Utah's annual Arbor Day poster contest will be recognized.

Lisa Lee, a 6<sup>th</sup> grader from Wasatch Elementary in Provo is the Grand Prize winner. In addition to winning a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond and a plaque signed by Governor Jon Huntsman, Lee's poster will be reproduced as a bookmark and distributed statewide. Lee's poster was also judged Best in Region so Wasatch Elementary will receive a \$1,000 cash prize.

Other schools receiving \$1,000 awards are Grandview Elementary, Ogden; Red Cliffs Elementary, Nephi; and Park City Academy, Park City. More than 250 schools and 40,000 students participate in Utah Arbor Day activities.

Other state winners, each receiving a \$75 bond, are Leah Farnsworth and Katie Davis, Nephi; McKennon Christensen and Mallary Andra, St. George; Mckailee Bishop, and Erik Barton, Ogden; and Nick Houghton, Stansbury Park.

State winners will join Lisa Lee to receive their awards at Red Butte Garden. The public is invited to attend the ceremony and admission that day is free.

Sponsors of this year's Arbor Day activities are Kennecott Corporation, Tree Utah, Utah Community Forest Council, Utah Nursery and Landscape Association, USDA Forest Service, Red Butte Garden, and the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands.

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